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## THE DAY'S DOINGS

SUMMARY OF LATE NEWS BY WIRE.

### ARE GIVEN MORE TIME

EVACUATION OF CUBA TO BE EXTENDED A MONTH.

The Gold Output of the World in 1897 increased nearly \$30,000,000 over the preceding year—South Africa holds first place.

### Evacuation of Cuba.

Reports from the American evacuation commission in Havana indicate the season is not yet sufficiently advanced to make it even reasonably safe to send any large number of American troops to the island. According to the latest advice it probably will be December 1 before additional troops will be required in Cuba. This statement, in connection with the assurances that the Spanish officials are earnestly trying to complete the evacuation of the island, has tended to reconcile the authorities to a postponement of the date for the complete evacuation a month beyond the date originally fixed.

Gen. Wade, the president of the American commission at Havana, has informed the war department that Capt. Gen. Blanco has offered the Spanish soldiers to secure their honorable discharges from the army and give them back pay if they desire to remain in Cuba. The Spanish commissioners on the evacuation commission estimate that about 15,000 soldiers will avail of this offer, but Gen. Wade believes that the actual figure will be much larger.

### BIG OUTPUT OF GOLD.

Increase of Nearly \$30,000,000 Over the Year 1896.

The director of the mint in his annual report says:

"The value of gold produced in the United States during the calendar year, 1897, was \$57,363,000. The South African Republic holds first place, producing gold to the value of \$57,533,861. Australasia, \$55,684,182 and Russia, \$3,245,763.

There was a notable increase in the production of gold in the world during 1897 over 1896. The United States increased \$4,275,000; The South African Republic made the remarkable gain of \$18,854,192; Australasia increased \$10,532,349 and Russia \$1,739,970.

"The United States produced during the year 53,861,000 fine ounces of silver and Mexico 53,933,139 fine ounces, a decrease for the United States of 4,974,800 fine ounces and an increase for Mexico of 8,256,755 fine ounces.

"While many of the most productive silver mines of the past are closed down, the increased production from lead and copper ores has offset this loss.

"The world's production of silver, 103,096,000 fine ounces, is large in excess of any previous year, that of 1895, when the production was 107,500,969 ounces, being the next largest.

"At the average price of silver for the year the bullion value of the silver dollar was \$9.467."

### THREE MEN DROWNED.

Small Skiff Capsizes in Lake Michigan—One Body Recovered.

A Chicago dispatch says: A small skiff in which Louis Baben, son of a wealthy brick manufacturer of Evanston, William Schaffer and another man, whose identity has not yet been established, capsized in Lake Michigan about five miles off Wilmet Sunday and all were drowned. The men started out duck hunting. A high sea was running and after drifting out about five miles the boat was overturned. The unfortunate hunters clung to the overturned craft for over an hour, but weighed down with their heavy canvas coats, the pockets of which were filled with ammunition, they finally sank. The body of Schaffer was recovered.

### INDIANS SENTENCED.

Offending Pillagers Fined \$5.00 and Receive Terms in Jail.

The trial of the Bear Island Indians who surrendered at the Leech Lake agency and went into the United States court at Duluth for trial on the charge of resisting a United States officer at the agency on September 15 last, was completed Saturday evening. After being out thirty-five minutes the jury, at 6 o'clock brought in a verdict of guilty in each case and sentence was immediately passed by Judge Lochren. With but two exceptions each was fined \$100 in addition to a jail sentence.

### Strangles Her Children.

Eliza Berrill, wife of a well-to-do mechanic of Toronto strangled her three children—Ethel, aged 8; Stanley, aged 3, and Harold, aged 11 years. The woman is evidently demented. She said she did not want them to grow up wicked.

### Cotton Mills Shut Down.

The Chase, Sagamore, Wampanoag, Westmore and Stafford cotton mills at Fall River, Mass., shut down Saturday in accordance with the agreement of print cloth manufacturers to curtail production for four weeks.

### Lillian Russell Free Again.

Lillian Russell is again free from matrimonial ties. Signor Perugini, whose wife she had been since January 21, 1891, Saturday received a decree of divorce in the chancery court in Jersey City.

## THE WEEK IN TRADE.

The Business World as Seen by R. G. Dun & Co.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: With a growing foreign demand for American products exchange is influenced mainly by political uncertainties abroad. While Europe waits for the outcome between England and France about the Upper Nile, the financiers of all European countries are trying to force upon each other the burden of providing cash for the enormous demands of the United States. England has so managed as to make France and Germany send most of the gold, and the resulting war of exchanges between foreign nations checks for the moment the movement of gold this way. Yet these and all other causes do not so far hinder business as to prevent an excess over the most prosperous years. The outgo of wheat staggers all prophets of disaster, but while the price has advanced 3 cents at the west, the rise would have been much greater but for the feeling that the enormous foreign demand may not last.

While cotton spinners are said to have agreed upon a selling agency, and a curtailment of production, there is a better demand for staple goods and prospect of a still better demand in future. In woolen goods also there has been a marked improvement during the last week, and better sales, with extensive inquiry. There is much hesitation in the iron and steel trade, partly because the outcome of the various combinations in Bessemer pig, steel rails, bars, wire nails and the like cannot yet be definitely anticipated. Failures for the week have been 221 in the United States, against 224 last year, and 24 in Canada, against 36 last year.

## MARCHAND'S REPORT.

Fails to Mention Gen. Kitchener's Arrival at Fashoda.

Maj. Marchand's report, telegraphed from Cairo to Paris, does not mention the arrival at Fashoda of Gen. Kitchener. It only gives an account of the incidents of the expedition, with an elaborate description of the route followed, the places occupied, the manner of occupation, the raising of the flag, the force left at each point and treaties of submission concluded with the tribes in addition to referring to the encounter with the dervishes. It is believed in certain quarters that Capt. Baratier is the bearer of a verbal report which the French authorities are not willing to trust upon the British telegraph lines.

The report telegraphed only goes so far as the beginning of September and says that on August 20 supplies of the party were abundant. The reason for the omission of any mention of the arrival of Gen. Kitchener at Fashoda is said to be the fact that the report of Marchand was not ready when Capt. Baratier left Fashoda.

## TELLER IS DISAPPOINTED.

If They Cannot Have Silver Emblem They Will Vote for Fusion.

Regarding the decision of the Colorado supreme court awarding the name and emblem of the silver Republican party to the Broad, or anti-Teller faction of that party, Senator Teller said: "I am disappointed at the ruling of the court, which I consider indefensible. It makes the emblem an agency of fraud on the voter instead of a protection, as intended by the statute. The silver Republicans will vote the fusion ticket, which will be filed by petition. It will take more than a decision of a bare majority of the court to discourage the true friends of silver. Our enemies may have the emblem, but the fusion ticket will be elected by a great majority."

## COL. BRYAN EXCUSED.

From Testifying Before Investigating Commission at Jacksonville.

The war investigating commission concluded its labors at Jacksonville, Fla., Saturday. The commission spent four days in Jacksonville. Col. W. J. Bryan of the Third Nebraska was called before the committee Friday. He asked to be excused from testifying, requesting that his lieutenant colonel be examined in his stead.

"You will, I have no doubt, understand my reasons for the request," said the colonel.

"I think the request very proper and reasonable," responded Governor Beaver, and as the commission consented to this concession Colonel Bryan was excused with the request that he send up his lieutenant colonel.

Sam Allerton's Daughter Weds. Mrs. Katherine B. Papp, daughter of millionaire S. W. Allerton of Chicago, and Hugh Richard Johnstone, son of the late Judge Edward Johnstone of Keokuk, Iowa, were married in New York city and started at once for Europe on a three-month tour Saturday.

Killed by a Premature Explosion. During the firing of the president's salute at Kokomo, Ind., Friday, James Jones was instantly killed by the premature explosion of a cannon. Another man was seriously injured and may die.

Li Hung Chang as a Benedict. Newspapers received Thursday from Hong Kong and Yokohama published the amazing statement that Li Hung Chang and the dowager empress of China have been secretly married.

## Dreyfus in Paris.

An evening newspaper in Paris announces that Captain Dreyfus is already in Paris and is now confined in the fortress at Mont Valerien, to which he was secretly brought.

## NAVAL STATION AT SAN JUAN

Orders Issued Placing Admiral Schley in Command.

Admiral Schley has, by orders of the navy department been placed in command of the naval station at San Juan de Puerto Rico. So far the department has no knowledge of the value of the naval property contained in this station when it was evacuated by the Spanish officials. Admiral Schley has requested that he be permitted to retain in service for a time two or three civilian employees who are acquainted with the station. This has been granted. It is the intention of the department to send another naval officer to relieve Admiral Schley of the command very soon and to maintain a permanent station at this most important strategic point in the south.

## BIG STRIKE ABOUT OVER.

Injunction Against Cleveland Wire Workers Disheartens Men.

The backbone of the big strike at the American Wire Works at Cleveland, Ohio, operated by the American Steel and Wire Company, has been broken, though Walter Gillett, the leader of the men, declares to the contrary. The granting of an injunction restraining the strikers from interfering with the operation of the mill by Judge Hammond in the United States circuit court undoubtedly disheartened the idle men. About 100 of the strikers have gone to work in the American mill and the H. P. mill, owned by the same company and others will follow.

## ILLINOIS STRIKE SITUATION.

Superintendent Lukens Released on Bond—Warrants for Others.

Superintendent Lukens filed a bond Friday at Virden, Ill., and was released from arrest. He left for Streator and was accompanied to the train by a heavy guard of troops. Warrants for the arrest of T. C. Loucks, president, and W. S. York, secretary of the Chicago-Virden Coal Company, were issued. Deputy Sheriff Webster went to Chicago to serve them. Several shots were fired after daylight Friday morning at the stockade around the shaft, creating considerable excitement.

## It May Mean Something.

A dispatch from Portsmouth, Eng., says the admiralty issued orders that no dock yard repairs be commenced upon ships of reserve squadrons unless it can be completed within forty-eight hours.

## Balloonists Turn Miners.

A letter has reached Vancouver from St. Michael saying that the balloonists sent out to search for Andree were there. They have given up their balloon trip and staked twenty-five claims.

## Offers to Loan to Transvaal.

A dispatch from Pretoria says that Mr. Hope, representing an American syndicate, offers to loan the Transvaal government \$12,500,000 at 5 per cent. and 2½ per cent. commission.

## Bookkeeper and \$10,000 Gone.

It has been discovered that Chas. G. Henning of Louisville, Ky., a bookkeeper in the Bank of Louisville is a defaulter to the amount of \$8,000 to \$10,000 and has fled.

## Hanged for Killing Soldiers.

Seven Mussulmans who were tried and convicted of murder of British soldiers on the Island of Crete during the recent outbreak at Candia were hanged Wednesday.

## Railroad Tunnel Caves In.

Tunnel No. 27 on the Cincinnati Southern at Harrison, Tenn., caved in Thursday for the second time in a week. The cave-in is said to be an extensive one.

## Proctor Re-Elected Senator.

The Vermont legislature met in joint session Wednesday and re-elected Redfield Proctor United States senator.

## MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime \$3.00 to \$6.00; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 65c to 66c; corn, No. 2, 30c to 32c; oats, No. 2, 22c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 40c to 50c; butter, choice creamery, 20c to 22c; eggs, fresh, 14c to 16c; potatoes, choice, 25c to 35c per bushel.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, common to choice, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 65c to 66c; corn, No. 2 white, 20c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 26c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, \$3.50 to \$4.00; sheep, \$3.50 to \$4.75; wheat, No. 2, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 40c to 50c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 68c to 69c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 30c to 32c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 24c to 26c; rye, No. 2, 50c to 52c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.25 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 67c to 69c; corn, No. 2, 22c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 40c to 50c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 mixed, 68c to 69c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 31c to 32c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c; rye, No. 2, 50c to 51c; clover seed, \$4.35 to \$4.45.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 64c to 65c; corn, No. 3, 30c to 31c; oats, No. 2 white, 24c to 26c; rye, No. 1, 49c to 51c; barley, No. 2, 44c to 46c; pork, mess, \$7.75 to \$8.25.

Buffalo—Cattle, good shipping steers, \$3.00 to \$5.75; hogs, common to choice, \$3.50 to \$5.00; sheep, fair to choice wethers, \$3.50 to \$5.00; lambs, common to extra, \$5.00 to \$6.00.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.25; sheep, \$2.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 75c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 38c to 39c; oats, No. 2, 27c to 28c; butter, creamery, 16c to 23c; eggs, Western, 18c to 19c.

## STATE OF NEBRASKA

NEWS OF THE WEEK IN A CONDENSED FORM.

Mysterious Mail Robbery Near Alliance—Two Pouches, One for Lincoln and One for Black Hills, Cut Open—Amount Taken Unknown.

Mail Robbery Near Alliance. A daring and mysterious railway robbery at or near Alliance, in the northwest part of the state, occurred Oct. 15. Two letter pouches, one destined for Lincoln on the eastbound Burlington train, the other for Black Hills and Montana points on the westbound were cut open and registered letters and packages of value taken. The robberies were discovered by the respective mail clerks after leaving Alliance, who promptly notified Superintendent Butler at Lincoln. The amount stolen is unknown, but many letters were taken. The postal authorities are at work on the case. No suspicion attaches to the postal clerks.

Found Guilty of Robbery. The most important case ever tried in Brown County, and one which occupied the attention of the court a week was disposed of when the jury found Arthur Johnson guilty. Johnson was charged with robbing the Elkhorn Railway depot at Johnston. Johnson is a grandson of Harrison Johnson, who will be well remembered by the old residents of Nebraska. He resided in Omaha and at one time was the owner of 160 acres where the court house now stands. He wrote a history of Nebraska. The jury recommended leniency and Johnson was sentenced to eight years in the state penitentiary. Just before the judge pronounced sentence, Johnson fainted, and it was an hour before he sufficiently recovered to permit the court to continue.

## Guardsmen Will Be Paid.

The members of the Nebraska National Guard who went to Lincoln with the First and Second regiments, and who were rejected by the mustering officer, are at last to be paid off. An order has been issued by the governor appointing Adjutant General Barry as the paymaster to pay off these claims, and it is expected that shortly after election the men will get their money. The time out in by the men at the camp before they were rejected was about ten days each, and the total amount of the claims so far is \$6,228.33. There are a few others to come in, which will run the amount up to fully \$7,000.

## Narrow Escape.

The eastbound freight which was wrecked by a broken rail about two and a half miles west of Wahoo recently was removed and trains were soon running again. Eastern freight cars were off the track and six loaded with grain were smashed into kindling wood. The retaining excursion train had a narrow escape, having passed over the same track not an hour before the freight. The excursion train was heavily loaded with children returning from the exposition. No one was injured in the freight wreck, though a report was out that three tramps were mixed up in the cars of grain.

## Thieves at Columbus.

About 8 o'clock the other evening, during the hour of services at the Methodist Church at Columbus, thieves struck by the front door of the parsonage, just at the rear of the church, by the aid of a skeleton key, and stole nearly everything in sight. A new suit of clothes, an overcoat, a mackintosh, about \$7 in cash, all of the table silverware, jewelry and other valuables, including Rev. Mickle's Union Pacific half-fare permit. The total loss is nearly \$100.

## Losses a Leg.

Mr. Raley, a brother of E. V. Raley, an old settler of Crete, while crossing the B. & M. tracks in that city, was struck by a freight car on the switch. The car ran over the man's leg, terribly lacerating the member. Amputation was necessary. Mr. Raley came from Illinois only two days before on his first visit to the west and had just returned from a day's sight-seeing at the Omaha exposition when the accident occurred.

## Body of Unknown Man Found.

The body of an unknown man was found beside the B. & M. tracks a few miles from Fairbury. From the evidence before the coroner's jury it appears he climbed on the trucks of the west bound train at Kesterson, two miles east of where he was found. Deceased died while working with Campbell Bros. circus. His name is unknown, as he signed the circus pay roll with the nickname of "Whiskers."

## Dedication of Mechanics' Hall.

The formal opening of the new Mechanics' Hall at the State University will occur Friday, October 28. The exercises during the day will be at the university and in the evening at the Oliver Theatre. Gov. Holcomb, Assistant Secretary of War, McKeljohn, the faculty of the university and a number of other prominent citizens of the state will participate.

## Found Dead.

Jans Mickelson, who has lived alone in a small house at Nebraska City for many years past, was found dead in bed. Death apparently resulted from an attack of paralysis. An inquest was deemed unnecessary.

## Caught by a Confidence Man.

Emil Wiese and Hans Boettger of Bennington attended the exposition at Omaha and as a result of their experience with a confidence man they are a watch and \$8 each wiser.

## Ponca Woman Suicides.

The wife of George Geddes, who lives seven miles west of Ponca, took a large dose of strychnine and died in convulsions within an hour. She had been despondent for some time.

## Hurt in Foot Ball Game.

Arthur Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Campbell of Hastings, had his right arm broken just above the wrist while playing a game of foot ball.

## Freight Depot Burned.

Flames were seen issuing from the E. & M. freight depot at Kearney a few mornings since, and before the alarm could be turned in the entire building was on fire. Just how the fire started is a mystery, as no one had been around the building for several hours and there was but a small fire in the stove. The building and contents are a complete loss and it is one of the most disastrous fires which has occurred in Kearney for some time. Just what the loss is cannot be ascertained, but there was a fresh and complete stock of goods in the building that had just arrived for a new department store. Several cars of freight standing on the track were also damaged some. One belonging to William Keller loaded with celery was considerable damaged by smoke, but the cars were not burned. The coal office of the Kearney Coal Company located near the burned building, was also slightly scorched, but nothing was seriously burned but the depot. The building was erected about 1880.

## Matrimonial Infelicity.

Attachments were issued at Fremont a few days since against the property of Dr. J. T. Clark. The doctor, who has been a successful dentist there, left town suddenly, leaving a portion of his goods and a few small debts behind. His wife is in Kansas, while the doctor is supposed to be in Chicago. It is reported that the doctor was too intimate with the wife of a railroad man, and on being found out was given twenty-four hours by the injured husband to make himself scarce. The railroad man's wife left about the same time, and it is thought she may have gone with the doctor, or arranged to meet him somewhere. The railroad man has started on the trail of the dentist.

## Must Sign the Certificate.

Judge Letten of Beatrice has handed down his decision in the application of W. H. Harris of Crete for a mandamus compelling G. E. Emery, float representative of the county, to sign a certificate of the nomination of W. S. Grafton for float representative. He grants the writ. Leave to file a motion for a rehearing was granted and the issues will be made up and the case taken to the supreme court. The only ruling favoring the defendant was on the point of the right of Chairman Grant to vote when tie was claimed.

## Makes Serious Charges.

Herman Aussen, a German farmer living in Cumming County, went to Stanton a day or two ago and entered formal complaint against Herman Hendricks and Henry Wragge, charging them with getting him drunk on alcohol and then relieving him of a note for \$92.50 and \$7.35 in cash and smeared his face and body with pine tar. The note was one given to Aussen by Hendricks and the object of his visit was to attempt to collect the amount. Aussen shows bad treatment and the arrest of Hendricks and Wragge will follow.

## Nebraska Bank Closed.

National Bank Examiner Whitmore telegraphed the comptroller of the currency October 19 that he had closed the First National Bank of Neligh. It reported September 29, 1898: Capital stock, \$50,000; surplus, \$8,007; due to depositors, \$108,936; borrowed money, \$10,000; circulation, \$11,250; total resources, \$183,243. A notice posted on the door of the institution said that it had closed pending an examination and that it would resume business again.

## Burglars Frightened Away.

An attempt was made at Brady Island the other night to gain entrance to the general merchandise store of D. H. Eavey, in which the postoffice is located, by removing the screen and glass from a window at the rear of the store. The noise aroused Willard and Walter, two sons of the proprietor who sleep in the store, and the burglars, evidently a novice, was frightened away by two shots, neither of which took effect. Suspicion points to tramps.

## Still a Mystery.

The identity of the dead body found east of Wymore over a week ago still remains a mystery and notwithstanding the fact that efforts are being made to communicate with people mentioned in letters found a few yards from the body, all attempts so far have been in vain. This case will probably remain unsolved, along with a long list of other deaths and murders which have occurred in Gage County and have never been solved.

## Burned to Death.

Samuel McDowell, aged about 65, lived alone in a sod house on a small farm about five miles northwest of Bartley. The combustible material of the house was consumed by fire and the dead body was found under debris some distance from the position of the bed. Incombustible material had fallen upon the head and part of the body and protected them from the fire.

## Found Dead.

Fred Curtis of the firm of F. Curtis & Son, real estate dealers and money lenders of Fairmont, was found dead in the street. He had done his chores about the house and started out to look for some hogs that had gotten out of the pen. He met several persons not thirty minutes before he was found dead. Apoplexy is thought to have been the cause.

## Catholic Knights.

The Catholic Knights of America held their state congress at Hartington October 17 and 18. The session was interesting throughout, there being delegates from all parts of the state present. Joseph Rueising of West Point was elected state president for the next two years. The next biennial congress will be held at Grand Island.

## Accidental Shooting.

While engaged in target practice at Tamora Dorra Brainerd accidentally shot himself through the foot. The attending physician does not consider the wound dangerous.

## Forgets His Board Bill.

Prof. Corbit, who went to Bancroft several days ago and billed himself as a clairvoyant, left the Commercial Hotel forgetting to settle a board bill of several dollars.



One of the officers of the battleship Iowa tells of a thrilling scene which occurred on its deck soon after Cervera and his officers came aboard after the destruction of their squadron. Captain Eulate had offered his sword to Captain Evans and the latter had returned it, saying that he could not accept it from so brave a man. The party was invited down to the skipper's cabin to "take something." As Eulate entered the companionway he stopped and turned, lifted his cap and in a most dramatic way extended his arms and exclaimed: "Adios, Vizcaya." At that instant, as if in response to his farewell, there was a tremendous eruption from the burning cruiser and immediately after a deafening explosion. One of the magazines had blown up. Eulate buried his face in his hands and sobbed. It was some moments before he recovered from his agitation.

After our regiment had marched seven miles toward Santiago, writes a soldier, we were ordered to go into camp on the crest of the high hill which overlooks the valley in front of San Juan. We had scarcely pitched our little shelter tents when a fierce rainstorm came up. It poured down in torrents. I naturally supposed the soldiers would be disgusted that this should happen just after their long, tiresome march, but when the storm was at its highest I heard shouts of joy outside, and I ventured to look from under the sheltering canvas to see what the commotion was about, and there stood about half of the regiment, stark naked, taking what they called a bath, and the harder it rained the more pleased they seemed. Maj. Smith looked out and could not resist the temptation, and in a few minutes he, too, was enjoying a nice, cool bath.

A correspondent who journeyed to Santiago on the transports with the regulars and the volunteers, who set sail from Tampa describes the way in which the men whiled away the time. At night the chief occupation was singing. He says that "if you want several hundred or 1,000 men to sing one song, that song must be either a hymn, a Sunday school song or 'The Swanee River.' " "Almost every man in the fleet could sing the first verse of 'America.' Nearly all could sing the first verse and chorus of 'Swanee River.' But when the leading singer started up 'Rock of Ages,' 'Hold the Fort,' 'Just as I Am Without One Pin,' or 'Jesus Loves Even Me,' nearly every man on the ship would lift up his voice and sing the song with vigor, fervor and delight."

The Wasp, which goes to the naval reserves at Chicago, was the first vessel to enter the harbor of Ponce, and Midshipman Curtin, the grandnephew of ex-Gov. Curtin of Pennsylvania, went ashore and demanded the surrender of the place in a most audacious manner. He acted as if he had a fleet of battleships instead of the little yacht behind him. The commandant replied that he was only a subordinate officer and was not authorized to surrender. The boss was up at the city, three miles away. "Get him on the telephone," roared the midshipman, "and tell him that if he does not surrender in half an hour I'll bombard the town." It was lucky for the Wasp, and particularly for young Curtin, that the rest of the fleet arrived very soon.

A soldier at Mount Point gravely related the following incident as an illustration of the terrific heat during the summer at Tampa. He said that the company that he belonged to was on the firing range going through their regular target practice, and although every one took the greatest possible care with his aiming, and the company he belonged to was the best shooting company of the regiment, every shot missed the target. The captain could not make it out, so he ordered the bugler to sound "cease firing," and was walking up to the targets to see what was wrong, when, about half way up the range, he saw a great stream of molten lead. The sun was so hot that it had melted the bullets before they could reach the target.



Dwight Moody, the evangelist, is said to have received \$1,250,000 for his "gospel" tours.

Congressman William Alden Smith of Michigan was a newsway in Grand Rapids city twenty years ago.

General E. H. Hobson, the newly-elected president of the Veterans of the Mexican War, served also in the civil war.

Miss Ruth White of San Francisco, is said to bear so striking a resemblance to the Liberty on the new dime that her friends supposed her the model.

The death of Bayard recalls the fact that he and his father were the two Senators from Delaware just after the close of the civil war. This is a political fact without a parallel.

Miss Mary French McKay has become prominent in Denver by claiming to be the best woman fencer in the world, and offers to prove her title anywhere and at any time